Dewan's reply.—They object rightly, as plucking leaves will destroy the plants, the bark of which yields a good revenue to Government. An arrangement for Honge leaves is under consideration for the Kolar District and when adopted will be extended to the Tumkur District also. (See also Subjects No.s 145,152 and 165 below.)

Subject No. 140.

Transfer of Kibbanhalli Hobli from Tiptur to Chiknayakanhalli Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Kibbanhalli sammat now attached to the Tiptur Taluk may be transferred to the Chiknayakanhalli Taluk.

Dewan's reply.—The present arrangement seems convenient, because of the Railway to Tiptur, while there is none to Chiknayakanhalli.

Subject No. 141.

Absorption of Huliyar Sub-Taluk into Chiknayakanhalli and Hosdurga.

Summary of discussion.—The Huliyar Sub-Taluk may be abolished, its villages being distributed between the Chiknayakanhalli Taluk and the Hosdurga Sub-Taluk.

Dewan's reply.—The suggestion seems a good one and is noted for consideration after consultation with the people of Huliyar.

Subject No. 142.

Revision of existing Hulbanni system.

Summary of discussion.—The present practice of distributing the Hulbanni amount on heads of cattle is not convenient to the raiyats, as the right of grazing in any one village does not extend to the cattle of the neighbouring villages. It may therefore be abolished and the grazing made free. If this cannot be done, one uniform rate per head of cattle may be prescribed and the cattle allowed to graze wherever pasturage is available, without any restriction.

Note.—Mr. Dasappa, Representative from Nelamangala Taluk (Bangalore District), also sought for a revision of the existing Hulbanni system but on different grounds. He observed that two years' realisations are taken into account and apportioned among the raiyats for Hulbanni. This entailed loss sometimes upon raiyats and sometimes also upon Government when waste lands, excluded in the Hulbanni list, are brought under plough or cultivated lands are thrown up. He would suggest that the better course was to ascertain the actual extent of waste lands available during each of past years and a rate per acre fixed.

Dewan's reply.—Hulbanni cannot be abolished. It is not levied on head of cattle. The present system by which an average of past years' realizations is collected without sale has proved more agreeable to the people than the previous system of sale field by field. It will further be improved upon and an average acreage will be adopted. But the residents of one village cannot be allowed to graze their cattle on the lands of another village in which they have hitherto had no such right. (See Subject No. 108 *ante*.)